

THE UNWRITTEN WORD

Mayor Mueller's Revelation to a Reporter for the "Standard."

ABOUT THAT WATER PIPE

He Did Not Write a Letter Ordering It in the Name of the City for the Coram Outfit.

BUTTE, April 18.—That water pipe for the Butte City Water company which was to be shipped in the name of the city of Butte has not been ordered at all. At least the mayor has not consented to have it shipped in the city's name. On Saturday afternoon the report got around that the company had ordered 100 car loads of pipe and that they were to come addressed to the city. Inquiry was made of Mayor Mueller in regard to this, and the mayor stated to a reporter at that time that John A. Coram of the Butte Water company had asked permission to have the pipe shipped in the name of the city, and he could see no objection to it, and he intended writing a letter as directed that afternoon. The mayor, however, hasn't written the letter yet and doesn't intend to do so until he gets the best obtainable legal advice in the matter.

"The criticism that I have not used good judgment in this matter is not just," said the mayor. "I do not think I should be criticised for something that I have not yet done. After seeing Mr. Coram I consulted Aldermen Lynch, Barrett and others, and the result was no objection to the city allowing its name to be used. We decided, however, that an indemnifying bond to save the city from having to pay for any freight or other expense be furnished. This bond was furnished, and I thought I should have legal advice on the matter in order to see whether this transaction might not be construed as evidence that the city still recognized the Butte City Water company and its franchise. So I consulted Messrs. Forbis and Welton, and they could see no objection to the matter, provided a clause was inserted, stating that in no case should the letter be used in evidence in any court here was it to be construed as evidence of any relation whatever existing between the water company and Butte city. I then thought it best that the city attorney draw up the letter, and as he was at the Springs he has not been written, and it will not be written unless it meets with Mr. Coram's approval. Mr. Coram left for St. Paul yesterday. So you see," concluded the mayor, "that the criticisms to which I have been subjected are a trifle premature."

IN POLICE COURT.

Sinners Brought to Trial in Judge McMurphy's Court.

BUTTE, April 18.—Zoe Dillon, a depraved white woman who is an inmate of a house on Helena street, was arrested last night on complaint of Joe Schroth, on a charge of grand larceny. Schroth visited the house and while there claims that the woman stole a diamond stud valued at \$60 from him. When arraigned in the police court this morning she pleaded not guilty and her examination was set for tomorrow.

P. Williams, a vag, was up for begging money on the streets. He entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$50 and costs. Sentence was suspended long enough for him to leave the city.

E. J. Johnson, the colored pedestrian, who was arrested last week charged with stealing a valise from William Swanson, was placed on trial. A few days before Johnson's arrest another colored man, William Fleming, was arrested on a charge of "mistaken identity" and he was discharged. In spite of Johnson's plea that he was innocent of the crime and his statement that he served 10 years in the regular army and three years in the navy, he was found guilty and sentenced to the county jail for 60 days and taxed with the costs. His attorney gave notice of an appeal.

John Murphy, M. Harrington and Dan Sullivan were arrested for fighting in Dublin Gulch, and for this were fined \$5 and costs each. Murphy and Harrington paid and Sullivan will work out his fine on the streets. Frank Ammon and Mike Manning, two other scrappers, were committed to work out \$5 and costs each.

Charles Wind and "Buffalo Bill" McGowan depleted their exchequers by contributions of \$5 and costs each for "making loud and unusual noises."

William Morgan, who was arrested last night, was arraigned for breaking into Charles Langlois' house. He pleaded not guilty. His examination was set for tomorrow.

OVER A FARE BET.

John Lyons and Gambler Flaharty Come to Blows.

BUTTE, April 18.—John Lyons was making vigorous but unsuccessful attempts this evening to break one of the fare games in the Combination gambling house. He had a bet between the queen and king and claimed that it won, a proposition that Frank Flaharty, the dealer, in very strong language combated. Not satisfied with a denial, Lyons claimed that Flaharty resorted to a physical argument in which he beat Lyons around the neck with a beautiful four-story and mounted put head on Lyons. The latter, badly used up, went before Judge Muldoon, where he filed a complaint against the gambler, charging him with assault with a deadly weapon, to wit, a revolver, which Lyons described as a 45 caliber.

Flaharty was arrested by Constable Shepherd and taken into court and the complaint read to him. He pleaded not guilty, saying that he had struck Lyons with a loaded cane instead of a revolver, as alleged, and then swore to a complaint against Lyons charging him with perjury, and in turn Lyons was arrested. Flaharty gave bonds of \$250 for his appearance, and Lyons in default of bonds was committed. Lyons, even after his arrest, maintained that Flaharty had struck him with a revolver twice and then once with a cane.

May Sue the County.

BUTTE, April 18.—The county will soon have suit brought against it by the jurors in Department II of the district court at the January term, to recover about \$2,000 which they claim is still due them in fees. According to the rules of the district court when a juror is excused for three days or more he is not entitled to any pay for that time. Many of the jurors were miners and could not go back to work for three or four days, and they think that the county should pay them for that time.

Their attorney holds that there is an implied contract between the county and the jurors when they are subpoenaed not for a day or week, but for the term, and are entitled to full payment for that time. Judge McHatton's ruling to the contrary notwithstanding, and he will make his fight on this ground. So far 20 of the jurors have placed their claims in an attorney's hands and the total amount involved is \$2,200. As soon as the list has been completed suit will be brought for the entire amount.

PLACES IT AT \$97,000.

Mr. Mantle Brings Suit Against the Silver Bow Electric Light Company.

BUTTE, April 18.—Lee Mantle, by his attorneys, Corbett & Welton, this evening commenced an action for damages against the Silver Bow Electric Light company, placing his claim at \$97,000. He alleges that on or about June 9, 1890, he was engaged in the transaction of his business of examining and inspecting the machinery and he was at the time in good and sound mental and bodily health. While he was so occupied at the works and power house of the company the latter, by its servants and employees, was carelessly, negligently and willfully using and maintaining as a portion of its plant of machinery a certain expansion joint upon the main steam pipe leading from the boilers where the steam was generated to the engine. The joint was worthless and inefficient and was improperly, carelessly and negligently fastened, and was inadequate and worthless for the purpose for which it was used. The plaintiff was at the time standing near and beneath the steam pipe while the machinery was in motion and the joint flew off causing the steam to fall upon his head and shoulders and body inflicting upon him a severe, deep and dangerous wound and upon his shoulders and body severe and dangerous bruises and contusions and he was otherwise greatly bruised, hurt and through which he became sick, sore, lame and disordered and so continued up to the present time. The plaintiff was exercising due care and diligence and the injury was due solely to the negligence of the defendant. He has been wholly and permanently injured and disabled and ruined in his bodily health. For a long time prior to the accident plaintiff has been engaged in a large and prosperous business of mining, stock raising and brokerage throughout the United States, but since he received the injuries complained of and by reason of the sickness and suffering resulting therefrom, has been prevented from attending to his lawful business and has lost and is deprived of divers great gains, profits and advantages which he might and otherwise would have derived in the sum of \$100,000. The plaintiff was also obliged to pay in endeavoring to be cured of his injuries the sum of \$7,000, and by the injuries so inflicted he has suffered and will continue to suffer great and serious bodily pain, mental agony and anguish, to his great injury and damage in the sum of \$29,000.

It appears from the records that Mr. Mantle is suing himself and friends, as the persons most largely interested in the Silver Bow Electric Light company are H. L. Frank, C. S. Warren, Lee Mantle and D. J. Hennessy. A short time ago and since the accident the company has been consolidated with the Butte Electric Light company, and is now under one management, but it is understood, a distinct company as far as liabilities and other financial matters are concerned. If Mr. Mantle secures a verdict for the amount sued he will probably be sole owner of the Silver Bow company. The principal owners of the other company are W. A. Clark and P. A. Largent, but it is not probable that they will in any way become parties to the suit.

The accident that befell Mr. Mantle and of which he complains in his suit, will be well remembered by all as for a time his life was in danger and very little hope entertained for his recovery. He was confined to his bed for a long time and only a few weeks ago returned from a trip to Hot Springs, whither he had gone in search of relief from the effects of his injuries. Mr. Mantle says, and his friends know, that he has not yet recovered.

IN WALKERVILLE.

Meeting of the Municipal Council—Ordinances That Didn't Pass.

WALKERVILLE, April 18.—The city council held a short session this evening. The nuisance ordinance was read for the first time and referred to the judiciary committee. The ordinance regarding the storing of explosives in large quantities came up for discussion, but the discussion was abruptly terminated by the announcement by the city attorney that if it were passed the ordinance could not be enforced, as it was in direct opposition to a state law governing such matters and which allowed the storing of powder under guard in any quantity.

General Manager Rueger of the Lexington mine wrote a long letter to the committee in which he held that the present mode of storing explosives at that mine is as safe as it is possible to make it by any other means which could be proposed, and that there is really no danger there. In the letter he stated: "The Lexington company has stored nitro glycerine and powder under ground for the last eight years to the amount of 2,000 to 2,500 pounds per month, and the fact that no explosion has occurred seems to me a good argument that the explosive has been properly handled, and not the reverse."

Mr. Rueger, however, willingly agreed to comply with any reasonable ordinance that might be passed. After some further discussion, the proposed ordinance died a natural and easy death.

Arrangements were made to increase both the city attorney's and city marshal's salaries at next meeting. The case of the State vs. John Kelly came up in Justice Arnold's court this evening. The defendant was accused of raising a disturbance in West Walkerville by applying the names to Mrs. Frank Nordella and beating one or two of her children. The case was tried by a jury, which acquitted Kelly and taxed the costs to the complaining witness.

A delightful dance was given in the Masonic hall this evening under the auspices of the K. of L. orchestra. Refreshments were served at the American house, and a general good time enjoyed.

'Twas a Great Fake.

BUTTE, April 18.—The sensational article in a morning paper concerning the attempted suicide of William Coombs of Cankerville, created considerable amusement in that quiet little town today. The facts of the case are that as Coombs was going through a door with an open pocket knife in his hand, the door slammed and throwing up his arm to protect his face the knife blade struck his neck inflicting a wound which bled quite profusely, but was not by any means dangerous or even serious. He was slightly under the influence of liquor at the time or the accident would not have happened. Mr. Coombs is walking around town today as usual and allowing his appearance to contradict the foolish report of his attempted suicide.

Solid for Cleveland.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 18.—Primaries for the selection of delegates to the state convention were held in this city tonight. The fight was squarely between Cleveland and Gray factions. Cleveland carried every ward and in nearly every primary instructions were given in his behalf. The Gray men elected contesting delegates in two wards.

Won by the Englishman.

LONDON, April 18.—At the bicyclist meeting at Brighton today Fowler, the English rider, in the half mile scratch race beat Zimmerman of the New York Athletic club nine yards.

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DAWSON IS THE WINNER

A Lively Forty-Two Round Scrap Between Lightweights.

GALLAGHER FOUGHT HARD

He Was Knocked Out After Making a Plucky Fight—It Was a Well Contested Battle.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—Thousands of people were present at the finish fight between the lightweights, Billy Gallagher and George Dawson, at the California Athletic club tonight for a purse of \$1,250. The fight was originally set for March 20, but postponed, owing to the sickness of Dawson. At the opening odds of 10 to 9 were freely offered on Dawson.

The fight commenced at 9:12. The first five rounds were devoid of bloodshed, Dawson jabbing at every opening and evading Gallagher's swings. Dawson several times reached Gallagher's face with his left, but did no damage.

In the sixth Dawson was more confident and only laughed when Gallagher landed two hard hits on the chin and right hand in the ribs. Gallagher drew first blood and rushed in with a hard right-hander on the shoulder as the gong sounded.

From the seventh to eleventh, honors were even, Dawson landing frequently but Gallagher scoring harder blows. Gallagher's nose and mouth were swollen and he guarded himself more carefully. Dawson was fresh and his shifty tactics made him no easy match for Gallagher. Gallagher fought Dawson hard in the fourteenth round, which was the best round up to sixteenth, but Dawson was still jabbing away when round closed.

In the eighteenth round, Gallagher got the worst of the first portion, but countered and caught Dawson with his right, staggering him, and sent him to his knees with a right on the neck as the round closed.

In the nineteenth Gallagher dropped Dawson with a left on the jaw and after a hot exchange, Dawson went to the floor again, pulling Gallagher down.

In the twentieth to the twenty-third round Dawson used his left and drew blood from Gallagher's mouth. The latter's left cheek and ribs were swollen. Gallagher countered with his right, but with less advantage than earlier. From the twenty-third to twenty-eighth the fight continued about the same, not appearing to be any one's battle.

From the thirty-third to thirty-sixth rounds were even as to telling blows. In the thirty-sixth Gallagher suddenly dropped Dawson with a half arm left in the stomach. The men then mixed things in earnest. Hot fighting resulted in Gallagher going to the ropes tired.

From the thirty-seventh to the fortieth, some good counters on both sides, but Gallagher's mouth was badly punished and he devoted much time to guarding it. Dawson won the fight in the forty-second round.

WAR AT BONNER'S FERRY.

Claim Jumpers Cause Trouble—Bloodshed Expected.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 18.—The town site war has begun in earnest at Bonner's Ferry. If there has not been bloodshed already, it is probable that difficulties which have arisen within the past two or three days will end in bitter and relentless strife. News just reached Spokane that armed men yesterday were walking the streets of Bonner's Ferry expecting trouble to begin. The trouble was precipitated Friday by the action of E. O. Coy and Sam Allison, who jumped George Fry's land at Bonner's, which led to wholesale jumping. Vigorous action of armed citizens, however, in pulling up the stakes of Coy and Allison left Fry's land prevented bloodshed. Citizens threaten summary punishment and a meeting was held Friday night for the purpose of ordering the jumpers out of the country. The result of the affair has not yet been ascertained, but in the opinion of men who brought the news to Spokane there is more serious trouble ahead.

Judge Waxen's Political Proverbs.

When women get to be United States senators there won't be no more secret sessions.

The real tariff reform is less talk about it.

A man's moral character ain't hurt much by his quinin' politticks.

If we had licked Chilly it would have been because we wanted to; if we lick England it will be to prevent gettin' licked ourselves.

Winners in politticks is like angels in a mud hole.

Some of the best men this country ever known never held an office.

You might as well watch a man that bankers for an office that don't have a salary or fees with it.

The American flag is warranted to wash.

Efa sharp politishun owned a million of Uncle Sam's silver dollars he could get into the United States senate at par.—Detroit Free Press.

Licked Two Men.

BUTTE, April 18.—By taking the paupers' oath "Curley" Manion was released from the county jail this afternoon, where he was undergoing punishment for cruelty to animals. A few hours after his release he met Charley Carr, the complainant in the case, and assaulted him. Mr. Carr swore out a complaint against him and he was arrested and fined \$10 and costs, which he paid. He was no sooner clear of this than he met Jack Doyle, against whom he also had a grudge, and proceeded to "do him up." He was arrested a second time for assault and battery and will be tried tomorrow.

He Wanted to Explain.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 18.—Philip Wissing, a New York assemblyman, who, speaking on the women suffrage bill, delivered himself of utterances which were expunged from the record, at tonight's session rose to a question of privilege and denied the words which were attributed to him. He said that they had been misconstrued by evil-minded men, and he trusted the assembly would now print his speech. The speaker announced that the stenographers had destroyed their notes.

Births.

BUTTE, April 18.—If births continue to come in as fast as they did today, it will be proper to order another census in Butte without delay. The report includes the following: To Mrs. James Holland, 23 East Quartz street, a son and daughter; to Mrs. Joseph La Bissoniere, a daughter; to Mrs. Barth Harrington, Dublin gulch, a son.

QUAINT AND CURIOUS.

The boiling water fad at meals is dying out. Thousands of people are glad, and now some doctors who recommended it say it's all nonsense.

In no three large cities in Europe have greater advances in sanitation been shown during the last 20 years than in the cities of Bombay, Madras and Calcutta.

According to a law of nature, when a body is cooled it becomes heavier than water. There is one exception to the rule, however, and that is in the case of water.

The latest whim for the owners of dogs is to make them wear shoes in the house for the purpose of protecting the polished floors. They are made of chamois, with leather soles.

Out of 25,000 persons engaged in cabinet making in London, 4,000 are foreigners. Some estimates place the Hebrew population in East London at 60,000, another estimates places it at 35,000.

It is interesting to learn that the whole of the magnificent brocades, velvets and silks for the costumes in the Lyceum version of Henry VIII. were woven in English looms by English workmen.

Black snow lately fell in the Canton of Geneva, Switzerland—a phenomenon which was once thought to presage the black plague and other calamities, but is now known to be due to a fungus in the snow.

The total force in the navy service abroad in 1890 was 53,550 officers and men, of whom 30,020 were between the ages of 15 and 24, 17,310 between 25 and 35, 5,150 between 35 and 45, and 870 above 45 years of age.

There are 25 railway tunnels in England between one and two miles long, four over two miles, two just three miles, and one the Severn, on the Great Western railway—is over four and a half miles long.

The proposed plan for the postal tube between France and England is to suspend two tubes, each about three feet in diameter, by means of steel cables thrown across the channel, 120 feet above the level of the water.

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